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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

December 18, 2013

The Department of the Treasury is planning to submit the following information collection

request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance

with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13.

DATES: Comments should be received on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER

DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the burden estimate, or any other aspect of the

information collection, including suggestion for reducing the burden, to James Gatz, Senior

Program and Policy Advisor, Office of Consumer Policy, U.S. Department of the Treasury,

1500 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20220. (202) 622-3946.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the submission(s) may be

obtained by calling (202) 927-5331, e-mail at PRA@treasury.gov, or the entire information

collection request maybe found at www.reginfo.gov.

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OMB Number: 1505–0230

<u>Type of Review</u>: Extension

<u>Title</u>: Garnishment of Accounts Containing Federal Benefit Payments

Abstract: The rule establishes straightforward, uniform procedures that financial institutions

must follow when a garnishment order is received for an account into which Federal benefit

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payments have been directly deposited. Financial institutions that comply with the required

procedures are given a safe harbor under the rule. The rule requires a financial institution to

review the account, to determine if any exempt benefit payments have been directly deposited

within the 60 calendar days prior to the receipt of the garnishment order, and, if so, requires the

financial institution to ensure that the account holder has access to a protected amount of funds in

the account. Once the account review is completed the financial institution must notify the

accountholder of the receipt of the garnishment order and provide certain additional information.

In addition, a financial institution must maintain certain records of account activity and actions

taken in response to garnishment orders sufficient to demonstrate compliance with the rule.

<u>Affected Public</u>: Businesses or other for-profit institutions.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 24,167.

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